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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: n/a.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 19, 20 and 22-35.

Identification of prior art discussed: Spero et al. (USPN6,921,381), Sierra et al. (USPN5,290,552).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Examiner, Supervisor and Applicant's Representative discussed proposed claim amendments drawn to the further clarification of the central lumen being open and coincident with respect to the flow channel. The Examiner and Supervisor agreed that these amendments overcame the prior art record (see above).

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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